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Community invited to discuss food systems

Clinton Township, Mich. – Healthy food is as essential to life as clean water and adequate shelter. But, rising costs and access to nutritious food puts a strain on individuals, families and communities. Macomb County area residents are invited to attend a community discussion related to our food system.

Facilitated by Michigan State University Extension staff, the goal of the conversation is to gauge the interest of community residents in establishing a “food policy council or food systems task force” to look at access to food issues, hunger issues, and the data that will tell the story.

Questions up for discussion include: Is our food system on the wrong track? Are more people hungry? How do we adapt to higher food prices? How can we be sure that everyone eats an easily accessible and healthy diet? Can we create a local food system that meets our need to be healthy and affordable? Are community gardens, project fresh and farm-to-school programs enough?

The MSUE forum will discuss these issues and more on May 24, 2011 at 7 p.m. in the Clinton-Macomb Main Public Library conference room, at 40900 Romeo Plank Road in Clinton Township. For more information, contact Katherine Hale at 586-469-6088.

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